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FOOD PROCESSING UNITS
DUKHA BHAGAT

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of food processing units in the organised and unorganised sectors in the country; and

(b) the manner in which the Government promotes these industries?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TH. CHAOBA SINGH)

(a): Food processing industries are both in the organized and unorganized sectors, as such, information in respect of the number of food processing industries in the country is not maintained centrally. However, as per the latest Annual Survey of Industries for the year 1997- 98, there were 31415 food processing factories in the factory sector.

(b): The Department under its Plan Schemesprovides financial assistance in the form of loan or grant-in-aid for setting up/expansion/modernization of food processing industries.